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SUBJ: PETROLEUM: ADA NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOE

REF: A. STATE 163717; B. QUITO 5036

- 1. IN AUGUST 1 SESSION PRESIDED OVER BY PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ, CABINET APPROVED BASIS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OFFERS BY FIRMS FOR EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION OF GULF OF GUAYAQUIL NATURAL GAS. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS, CEPE WILL ISSUE CALL FOR BIDS WITH MINIMUM DELAY, AND FIRST CONTRACTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED BY OCTOBER 9, 1974. FIRMS WILL BID FOR FOUR BLOCKS OF 200,000 HECTARES EACH.
- 2. OPTIMISTIC NOTE FOR ADA WAS SOUNDED IN PRESS REPORTS TO EFFECT THAT CONSORTIUM HAD INVESTED US \$26 MILLION IN ONE OF BLOCKS, AND THAT THIS BLOCK WILL BE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL TREATMENT IN THAT SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL HAVE TO NEGOTIATE WIH GOE OVER WORK ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED.
- 3. IN CONVERSATION WITH DCM, LT. COL. RENE VARGAS, CEPE CONFIDENTIAL

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MANAGER, ESSENTIALLY CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS, ADDING

ONLY THAT HE THOUGHT BASIS WAS SOMETHING ADA COULD LIVE WITH.

4. CONSUL GENERAL GUAYAQUIL JULY 2 CONTACTED ADA REP RODRIGO BASTIDAS, WHO, ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOT YET SEEN OFFICIAL TEXT OF BIDDING BASIS, BELIEVES FROM READING BETWEEN LINES OF PRESS REPORTS THAT ADA PROBABLY GOT MOST OF WHAT IT WANTED. HE SAID TEXT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL SOME TIME NEXT WEEK. BREWSTER

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